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SUBJ: NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING

SUMMARY. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE FIVE NORDIC COUNTRIES HELD A PERIODIC MEETING IN OSLO AUGUST 21 AND 22. FOLLOWING THEIR MEETING, THEY HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE AND ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE WHICH EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH THE CSCE RESULTS, EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF THEIR IMPLEMENTATION AND HOPED FOR THE EXTENSION OF THIS PROGRESS IN DETENTE TO THE MILITARY ASPECTS OF SECURITY AS WELL. THEY EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF UN UNIVERSALITY, PARTICULARLY OPPOSING ANY ATTEMPT TO EXCLUDE, SUSPEND OR RESTRICT RIGHTS OF ANY MEMBER STATE, SPECIFYING AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT THEY WOULD OPPOSE ATTEMPTS TO OUST ISRAEL. THEIR COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR  
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MIDDLE EAST PEACE EFFORTS AND FOR DEMOCRACY, SOCIAL

JUSTICE AND RESPECT FOR POPULAR WILL IN PORTUGAL.  
NO REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE UN KOREA ISSUE. IN  
GENERAL, IT WAS AN UNEXCEPTIONAL MEETING. THE NEXT  
MEETING WILL BE IN STOCKHOLM, MARCH 25-26, 1976.  
END SUMMARY

1. NORDIC FOREIGN MINISTERS' COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED  
SATISFACTION WITH THE SUCCESSFUL HOLDING OF CSCE'S  
THIRD PHASE IN HELSINKI, AS A STEP TOWARD INCREASED  
DETENTE, SECURITY AND COOPERATION. THEY EMPHASIZED  
THE IMPORTANCE THAT THE RESULTS BE THOROUGHLY RESPECTED  
AND IMPLEMENTED, TO THE BENEFIT OF EVERY CITIZEN AS  
WELL AS OF STATES. THEY STRESSED THE SIGNIFICANCE OF  
BROADENING DETENTE TO INCLUDE MILITARY ASPECTS  
OF SECURITY, HOPING FOR SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF  
MBFR AND SALT NEGOTIATIONS, PROMPT CONCLUSION OF A  
COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN TREATY AND STRENGTHENING OF  
INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS FOR PEACEFUL NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES.

2. SALUTING THE UN AND ITS WORK, THEY EMPHASIZED  
THE IMPORTANCE OF UNIVERSALITY AND PLEDGED, THEREFORE,  
TO OPPOSE ANY ATTEMPT TO EXCLUDE OR SUSPEND A MEMBER  
STATE FROM THE UN, ITS ORGANS OR ASSOCIATED ORGANIZA-  
TIONS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE CHARTER, OR TO RESTRICT  
ITS RIGHTS. SUCH ATTEMPTS WOULD DAMAGE THE UN  
AND WEAKEN CONFIDENCE IN IT IN NORDIC COUNTRIES.  
(IN THEIR PRESS CONFERENCE, THE DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER  
APPLIED THIS SPECIFICALLY TO ISRAEL, STATING THAT THE  
NORDIC COUNTRIES WOULD OPPOSE ATTEMPTS TO OUST ISRAEL  
FROM THE UN, SUPPORTING UNIVERSALITY WHETHER IT CONCERNED  
ISRAEL OR OTHERS. NORWEGIAN MINISTER FRYDENLUND SAID  
OTHER NATIONS WOULD BE INFORMED OF THIS NORDIC  
POSTURE.)

3. COMMUNIQUE REFERRED HOPEFULLY TO THE UN'S UPCOMING  
SPECIAL SESSION AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ENCOURAGE COOPERA-  
TION BETWEEN DEVELOPING AND INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES  
AND MORE JUST AND HARMONIC ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

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4. MINISTERS EXPRESSED FULL SUPPORT FOR THE WORK  
BEING DONE TO SOLVE THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT, COMMENTING  
THAT A SOLUTION SHOULD BE BASED ON NON-OCCUPATION OF  
TERRITORIES BY FORCE, THE RIGHT OF ALL STATES TO LIVE  
IN PEACE WITHIN SECURE AND RECOGNIZED BORDERS AND  
RESPECT FOR PALESTINIANS' LEGITIMATE RIGHTS. THEY  
ALSO SUPPORT THE UN ROLE.

5. MINISTERS EXPRESSED HOPES FOR COMMUNITY NEGOTIATIONS IN CYPRUS, AND AN INTERNAL SETTLEMENT IN ANGOLA AND EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR REFORM AND AN END TO SUPPRESSION IN RHODESIA, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA. THEY EMPHASIZED THEIR CONCERN AT VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND PRAISED THE CSCE FINAL DOCUMENT FOR GIVING IT SIGNIFICANCE, BUT SINGLED OUT ONLY CHILE FOR VIOLATING HUMAN RIGHTS.

6. THEY DISCUSSED LAW OF THE SEA NEGOTIATIONS AND AGREED THAT THE SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT RESULTING FROM THIS SPRING'S UN CONFERENCE IN GENEVA WOULD CONSTITUTE A GOOD BASIC FOR CONTINUED DELIVERATIONS AT THE NEXT CONFERENCE SESSION IN NEW YORK NEXT SPRING. THE OTHER FOUR MINISTERS EXPRESSED " UNDERSTANDING" FOR THE MOTIVES "BEHIND" ICELAND'S DECISION TO EXTEND FISHERY LIMITS, NOTING EXPECIALLY THAT ICELAND INTENDS TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS WITH GOVERNMENTS OF COUNTRIES WHOSE FISHERMEN FISH THERE.

7. THEY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT PROGRESS MADE DURING LAST YEAR' REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL NOT BE LOST AND STRESSED THE SIGNIFICANCE OF CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS TOWARD DEMOCRACY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CLEARLY EXPRESSED WISHES OF THE PEOPLE.

8. COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION THAT MILITARY OPERATIONS HAVE CEASED IN VIETNAM, UNDERSTANDING FOR PROBLEMS FACING VIETNAMESE AND NEED FOR HUMANITARIAN AND RECONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE, REAFFIRMING THAT NORDIC AID PROGRAMS FOR VIETNAM WILL CONTINUE.  
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9. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. THERE WAS REFERENCE IN COMMUNIQUE TO KOREA OR RELATED ISSUES. EMBASSY WILL OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS ABOUT THE SESSION FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY NEXT WEEK, INCLUDING SPECIFICALLY INFORMATION ABOUT THE DISCUSSION OF KOREA WHICH CERTAINLY TOOK PLACE AND APPARENTLY COULD PRODUCE NO CONSENSUS. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.  
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